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Office Action Summary	Examiner	Art Unit				
	Dinh Q. Nguyen	3752				
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Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>06 M</u>	<u>larch 2007</u> .					
2a)⊠ This action is FINAL . 2b)☐ This	This action is FINAL . 2b) This action is non-final.					
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is						
closed in accordance with the practice under E	Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	53 O.G. 213.				
Disposition of Claims						
4) ⊠ Claim(s) <u>1,2,4,8-13,15 and 18-21</u> is/are pending 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrays 5) ☐ Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) ⊠ Claim(s) <u>1, 2, 4, 8-13, 15, 18-21</u> is/are rejected 7) ☐ Claim(s) is/are objected to.	wn from consideration.					
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/c	or election requirement.					
Application Papers		·				
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine	•					
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.						
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).						
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.						
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 						
Attachment(s)						
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) Interview Summary					
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 2. Claims 1, 2, 4, 10-13, 15, 18, 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Styne et al.

Styne et al. discloses a cleaning spray nozzle comprising: a nozzle body 1, a trigger valve 67, a toggle valve 41, an outlet 27, and a cartridge 55.

3. Claims 1, 2, 4, 10-13, 15, 18, 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Styne.

Styne discloses a cleaning spray nozzle comprising: a plastic nozzle body 20, a trigger valve 42, a toggle valve 46, an outlet 24, and a cartridge 14.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 5. Claims 8, 9, 19, and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Styne et al. or Styne.

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Wang or Styne teaches all the limitations of the claims except for a plastic and translucent cartridge. However, at the time the invention was made, it would have been an obvious matter of design choice to a person of ordinary skill in the art to provide the device of Wang or Styne with a plastic and translucent cartridge. Doing so would provide an effective cartridge that can be used with caustic materials and a way to monitor the content of the cartridge.

Response to Arguments

- 6. Applicant's arguments filed 3/06/07een fully considered but they are not persuasive.
- 7. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 2, 4, 8-13, 15, 18-21 have been considered but are most in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.
- Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of

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the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

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9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dinh Q. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-4907. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 6:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kevin Shaver can be reached on 571-272-4720. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Primary Examiner

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